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<u>Via ECFS</u>
Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication

Schools and Libraries Universal Support Mechanism; Connect America Fund; Modernizing the E-rate Program for Schools and Libraries, CC Docket No. 02-6;

WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 13-184

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On 27 March 2017, the undersigned along with Paul Garnett and Gunnar Halley (the latter via telephone), all from Microsoft Corporation, met with Dr. Jay Schwarz, Acting Wireline Advisor to Chairman Pai to discuss the Joint Petition for Clarification or, in the Alternative, Waiver filed by Microsoft Corporation, Mid-Atlantic Broadband Communities Corporation, Charlotte County Public Schools, Halifax County Public Schools, GCR Company, and Kinex Telecom, which is under consideration in the above-referenced dockets. Microsoft explained the project, its innovative use of technology, and the considerable value proposition it affords students, the E-rate program, and closing the Homework Gap. Microsoft also responded to general concerns about the program raised by some commenters, in accordance with Microsoft's reply comments in the above-referenced dockets.

Respectfully submitted,

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